

Sinclair Broadcasting's recent decision to force stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary just days before the U.S. presidential election is an example of biased electioneering. Sinclair stations use the public airwaves free of charge, and are required by law to serve the public interest.

This sort of one-sided, politically motivated abuse of their influence is in direct conflict of the public interest, and it shows why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.

The license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard, and renewal of Sinclair's license should be given serious consideration in light of this damaging practice.

Thank you.